PINT POSC estenger had pursued the worky, thus, they Reasons for Pondering about the Creator's Omnipotence d The (A) Allah Is The Creator of Life and Death, and The One Who Gives Life and Causes Death. to incline and to be with xourself There are numerous Noble Verses which indicate والموت، المحيى والمميُّتُ that it is Allâh -Exalted Be He above all- Who gives life and causes death, that people were dead and He يمة التي تشير إلى أن الله إسبحانه- هو الذي gave them existence and breathed life into them, and that, after they die, He will raise them all from their س كانوا أمواتًا فأوجدهم ونفخ فيهم الحياة، وأنه death on the Day of Resurrection - these facts being ن موتهم يوم القيامة، وهذه الحقيقة من دلائل among the evidence for his omnipotence. The Verses mention that Allâh created life and death that He may عيء. وتذكر الآيات أن الله خلق الحياة والموت test people which of them is best in deed. We find these meanings in more than ten places in the Ever-Glorious يكون أحسن عملا. ونجل هذه المعاني في أكثر Qur'an, among which we quote the following: لقرآن الكريم، نذكر منها: 2:28. How can you disbelieve in Allah? seeing that you were dead and He gave you life. Then He will give . بِٱللَّهِ وَكُنتُمْ أَمْوَانًا فَأَحْبَاكُمْ ثُمَّ يُمِينَكُمْ ثُمَّ you death, then again will bring you to life (on the Day of Resurrection) and then unto Him you will return. 3:156. It is Allâh that gives life and causes death. نُّ وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ بَصِيرٌ ﴾ (آل عمران/ ١٥٦) And Allâh is All-Seer of what you do. 9:116. Verily, Allâh! Unto Him belongs the لسَّمَنوَاتِ وَٱلْأَرْضِ مُحْمِي وَيُلِمِيتُ ﴾ (التوبة/ ١١٦) dominion of the heavens and the earth, He gives life and He causes death. نِ وَٱلْأَرْضُ مُحْى م وَيُمِيتُ وَهُو عَلَىٰ كُلُّ شَيء قَدِيرٌ ﴾ 57:2. His is the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. It is He Who gives life and causes death, and He

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67:2. Who has created death and life that He may test you which of you is best in deed. And He is the All-

is Able to do all things.

Mighty, the Oft-Forgiving.

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رِّتَ وَٱلْحَيِّوٰةَ لِيَبَّلُوَكُمْ ٱلْكُرْ ٱلْجُسَنُ عَمَلًا ۚ وَهُوَ ٱلْعَزِيرُ

It is Allâh Who sends the angel of death to people when their lives come to their ends, without anyone being able to flee from death, which must meet them. There are references to the two Fair Names of Allâh Al-Muhyî and Al-Mumît, i.e. "The Giver of Life" and "The One Who Causes Death" in about thirty places, including the previously cited Verse 2:28, in addition to the following:

6:61. until when death approaches one of you, Our Messengers (angel of death and his assistants) take his soul 62:8. Say (to them): "Verily, the death from which

you flee will surely meet you ..."

(B) The Creator of Men and Women, and of All Pairs, Male and Female

Allâh created all people from a single person ('Adam), and from him He created his wife in order that he might enjoy the pleasure of living with her, and from them both He created many men and women. The Verses point out that Allâh created the pairs, male and female, of semen, then a mixed male and female sexual discharge, then a clot. There is also a reference to Allâh's Command to our liege lord Nûh (Noah) to carry of each kind of Allâh's creatures two, a male and a female. We find these meanings in fewer than twenty places, of which we cite the following:

4:1. O mankind! Be dutiful to your Lord, Who created you from a single person ('Adam), and from him ('A dam) He created his wife [Hawwâ' (Eve)], and from them both He created many men and women...

7:189. It is He Who has created you from a single person ('Adam), and (then) He has created from him his wife [Hawwâ' (Eve)], in order that he might enjoy the pleasure of living with her.

الله هو الذي يبعث إلي الناس ملك الموت حين يجين أجلهم، فلا يستطيع أحد أن يفر منه، بل لا بد أنه ملاقيهم. وقد وردت إشارات تدل على «المحيي» والمميت»، وهما من أسماء الله الحسنى، في نحو ثلاثين موضعا، منها ما جاء في (البقرة/ ٢٨) السابق ذكرها، ومنها أنضا ما بلي:

﴿ حَتَىٰ إِذَا جَاءَ أَحَدَكُمُ ٱلْمَوْتُ تَوَفَّتُهُ رُسُلُنَا ﴾ (الأنعام / ٦١) ﴿ قُلْ إِنَّ ٱلْمَوْتَ ٱلَّذِي تَقُرُورَكَ مِنْهُ فَإِنَّهُ مُلْقِيكُمْ ﴾ (الجمعة / ٨) (ب) خالق الزوجين: الذكر والأنثى

خلق الله الناس جميعا من نفس واحدة، وجعل منها زوجها لكي يسكن إليها، ثم خلق منهما رجالا ونساء كثيرين. وتشير الآيات إلى أن الله هو خالق الزوجين، الذكر والأنثى من مني ثم نطقة ثم علقة. وهناك إشارة أيضا إلى أمر الله لسيدنا نوح بأن يحمل في سفينته النين من كل زوجين من مخلوقات الله. ونجد ذلك في أقل من عشرين موضعا، نورد منها الخمس التالية:

﴿ يَتَأَيُّهُا اَلنَّاسُ اَتَّقُوا رَبَّكُمُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُر مِن نَفْسٍ وَ لِمِدَةٍ وَخَلَقَ مِبْهَا رَوْجَهَا وَمَنْكَ مِنْهَا رَجَالًا كَثِيرًا وَنِسَاءٌ ﴾ (النساء / ١)

﴿ هُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُم مِن نَفْسٍ وَحِدَةٍ وَجَعَلَ مِبْهَا زَوْجَهَا لِيَسْكُنَ إِلَيْهَا ۗ ﴾ (الأعراف/١٨٩)

أحبكم في الله أسأل الله أن يرزقني وإياكم التقوى والإخلاص اللهم اجمعنا في دار كرامتك مع النبيين والصديقين والشهداء والصالحين وحسن أولئك رفيقا. اللهم اختم بالصالحات أعمالنا، وبالشهادة آجالنا، وهب لنا من أزواجنا وذرياتنا قرة أعين واجعلنا للمتقين إماما، آمين. اللهم صل على نبينا محمد وعلى آله وصحبه أجمعين. والحمد لله رب العالمين.